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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, February 18, 2009
UC330-331 – 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 11, 2009
4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Mountainside Chat with Lucy France, Director, Office of Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action
   b. SB304 Follow-up and Thank You
   c. Denver Henderson Update
   d. Weekly Legislative Update
   e. Executive Recommendation Summary
   f. Student Regent Selection Process
   g. Ailey II Performance Reminder
   h. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Committee Appointments/Removals
   b. KBGA
   c. Student-at-Large Committee Openings
   d. “Go Green” Griz Game
   e. Tabling
   f. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT
   SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $8,400.00
   STIP - $166,495.94
   TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $0
   ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - $143,243.95
   a. UM Climbing Club Special Allocation request - $335/$335
   b. Real Woman Fashion Show Zero Base Carryover request - $500/$500
   c. ASUM Sustainability STIP Request - $440.70/$440.70
   d. New Student-at-large and Senator
   e. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB43-08/09 Resolution Freezing ASUM Student Employees’ Wages

10. NEW BUSINESS
11. COMMENTS
12. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Smillie called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Present: President Hunter, Vice President Smillie, Business Manager Gosline; Senators Barnaugh, Cheung, Dempersmier, Dusek, Fennell, Gross, Haupt, Kaliyeva, Kettering, Leftridge, Martin, May, Schembra, Sjostrom, Spear, Stusek, Wilke and Zolnikov. Excused was Senator Brockman. Unexcused was Senator Tangjaipak.

The minutes for the February 11, 2009, meeting were approved.

Public Comment
* A representative from the Student Assault Resource Center (SARC) thanked President Hunter for announcing their coming events. Male Senators were encouraged to register for the “Walk-A-Mile” program to be held March 11 from 12-1 in the UC. She distributed information about that and other events.
* Representatives from the Good Health Whole Food Group requested special consideration because of their difficulties in meeting the recognition requirements in time for budgeting. They invited interested persons to come to the Ark this Saturday at 6 p.m. to see a film about genetic engineering of food.
* Josh Peters-McBride, Program Advisor for Student Involvement and Leadership Development, noted the dates for more activities celebrating the University Center’s 40th anniversary.

President’s Report
a. Lucy France, Director, Office of Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action, explained her office’s services regarding discrimination, equal opportunity employment and affirmative action and encouraged Senators to visit her in Main Hall Room 20 or call or email her.

b. Hunter thanked Senators Dusek, Haupt, Leftridge, Stusek and Zolnikov for going to Helena in support of SB304 - a tax credit to keep Montana “kids” in the State after graduation.

c. ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center Director Denver Henderson will be leaving his employ at ASUM on February 27 to take a new position.

d. Hunter updated Senate on some bills in the legislature: HB2A - considering Montana benefits from the stimulus package; HB323 - landlord/tenant bill, which has not met with any opposition.

e. Hunter explained the process leading up to the executive recommendation for budgeting. Senate will have $25,000 in discretionary funds to hand out to groups on March 1st.

f. There will be a special meeting of Senate on Friday, February 27th (time/location to be announced) to interview applicants for the student regent position. The special meeting is necessary because Senate will not meet on the 25th (lobbying) or the 4th (Regents meeting), and recommendations must be received by MAS during that time. Ordinarily the ASUM Interview Committee would interview and make recommendations to Senate.
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g. Ailey II tickets were distributed. Senators were advised that late arrivals would not be seated until intermission.
h. Hunter said ASUM should form a team for the “Walk-A-Mile” event.

Vice President’s Report
a. Committee Appointments/Removals (Exhibit A) were approved as a slate on a motion by Gross-Barhaugh.
b. Senator Kaliyeva will represent ASUM on KBGA at 8:45 a.m. Thursday morning.
c. The “Go Green” Griz game is this Saturday. Help is needed to collect donations. A sign-up sheet was circulated.
d. Tabling help is needed for March 3rd in the UC. A sign-up sheet was circulated.

BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT
SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $8,400.00
STIP - $166,495.94
TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $0
ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - $143,243.95
a. UM Climbing Club’s Special Allocation request for $335 and recommended by Budget and Finance for same passed.
b. The Real Woman Fashion Show Event’s Zero Base Carryover request for $500 and recommended by Budget and Finance for same passed.
c. ASUM Sustainability’s STIP Request for $440.70 and recommended by Budget and Finance for same failed. The Committee was in agreement with the result. They sent it on from committee so Senate could discuss it and make the final decision.
d. Student-at-large Matt Ryan and Senator Gross are the newest Budget and Finance members. Senator Gross was previously on as a student-at-large.

Committee Reports
a. Relations and Affairs (Dusek) - SB43 received a do pass recommendation.
b. Housing (Fennell) - They discussed how to proceed with the director leaving employment at ASUM.
c. Retention (Kaliyeva) - With the new Partnering for Students Success plan, subcommittees will be formed to integrate other areas.
d. ASCRC (Dempersmier) - A paper will be forthcoming to explain the conversion of Gen Eds.

Unfinished Business
a. SB43-08/09 Resolution Freezing ASUM Student Employees’ Wages (Exhibit B) was moved by Dusek-Gross and passed 20-0 on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet).

New Business
a. Resolution to amend ASUM Bylaws Article IV, Section 7
b. Resolution to amend ASUM Bylaws
c. Resolution to amend ASUM Fiscal Policy
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d. Resolution regarding the Curry Health Center fee increase
e. Resolution regarding winter session
f. Resolution to amend ASUM Bylaws Article V
g. Resolution regarding the Bookstore

Comments
The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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